

BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

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COLONEL DAVID M. ALDRICH

Colonel David M. Aldrich is the commander, 377th Support Group, Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico. The 377th Support Group is aligned under the 377th Air Base Wing, which is a major unit of the Air Force Materiel Command. The wing operates two munitions repair depots and is host to approximately 200 associate units including the Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center, Air Force Safety Center, Air Force Inspection Agency, Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Air Force Research Laboratories, 58th Special Operations Wing, U.S. Department of Energy, and Sandia National Laboratories. The 1,700 member group consists of the security forces, civil engineer, mission support, and services squadrons; and communications and airfield management divisions. Colonel David M. Aldrich is the commander, 377th Support Group, Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico. The 377th Support Group is aligned under the 377th Air Base Wing, which is a major unit of the Air Force Materiel Command.

Colonel Aldrich is a native of New London, Connecticut and entered the Air Force as an enlisted member in October 1967. He served as an administrative specialist, stenographer, and social actions technician. Colonel Aldrich received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology and Psychology, in 1976, from the University of Science and Arts, Chickasha, Oklahoma. In 1978, he earned his Master of Arts degree in Human Relations from the University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma. In August of 1978, he attended Officer Training School and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant. He came to Kirtland from Wright-Patterson AFB, OH, was appointed as the Chief, Military Personnel Division, Headquarters Air Force Command, from June 2000 until May 2001.

EDUCATION:

- 1976 Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology and Psychology, University of Science and Arts, Chickasha, Oklahoma
- 1978 Master of Arts degree in Human Relations, University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma
- 1995 Joint PME, Phase II, Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Virginia
- 1997 Squadron Officer School and Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama

ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1. 1980-1984 Social Actions Staff Officer and Executive Officer, DCS/Personnel, HQ Tactical Air Command, Langley AFB, VA
- 2. 1984-1989 Personnel Assignments Team, Joint/Departmental Assignment Team, and Executive to the Vice Commander, Air Force Military Personnel Center, Randolph AFB, TX
- 3. 1990-1991 Commander, 26th Mission Support Squadron, Zweibruecken AFB, Germany
- 4. 1991-1994 Commander, 601st Mission Support Squadron, Sembach AB, Germany
- 5. 1993-1994 US/Albania, Joint Mil-to-Mil Contact Team, Ministry of Defense, Tirana, Albania
- 6. 1994-1996 United States Liaison Officer, Headquarters Allied Forces Central Europe (NATO), Burnssum, Netherlands
- 7. 1997-1998 Chief, Retirements and Separations Policy Branch, Accessions, and Quality Force, DCS/Personnel, Headquarters United States Air Force, Washington, DC

- 8. 1998-2000 Chief, Expeditionary Aerospace Force (EAF) Personnel Plans; Chief, EAF Outreach; and Deputy Chief, EAF Implementation Division, DCS/Air and Space Operations, Headquarters United States Air Force, Washington, DC
- 9. 2000-2001 Chief, Military Personnel Division, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
- 10. 2001-Present Commander, Support Group, 377th Air Base Wing, Kirtland AFB, NM

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Joint Service Commendation Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Recognition Ribbon
Air Force Good Conduct Medal
Vietnam Service Medal with four Campaign Service Stars
Albania Presidential Medal of Freedom